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Briefings to the Minister of Defence and the Associate Minister of Defence – March 2025

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Title	Date	Agency Ref
Australian Federal Election 2025 - Overview	1/03/2025	MFAT
Business Case: Deed of Indemnity for the New Zealand Defence Force's Request for Follow-On Support for the Special Mission Radio System, Long Range Patrol Radio Upgrade Case (NZ-P-GEW)	5/03/2025	NZDF 2025-048
Business Case: Deed of Indemnity for the New Zealand Defence Forces's Request for Navy Training Baseline and Support (NZ-P-GEU)	5/03/2025	NZDF 2025-049
Waiouru Drinking Water Issue (only provided for the Minister of Defence's awareness)	5/03/2025	NZDF 2025-054
Defence Policy and Strategy Assessment	5/03/2025	MoD 35-2025
Meeting Brief: Prime Minister Tagelagi	5/03/2025	MoD 40-2025
Defence Weekly Report (27 Feb - 5 March 2025)	5/03/2025	NZDF 2025-052 MoD 26-2025
Aide-Memoire: Budget 25 Ministerial Bilateral Meeting – 11 March 2025	6/03/2025	MoD 42-2025
Meeting Brief: Australian High Commissioner	7/03/2025	MoD
Meeting Brief: Philippines Ambassador	7/03/2025	MoD 87-2025
Aide-Memoire: Approval to Sign a Status of Visiting Forces Agreement Between New Zealand and the Philippines	7/03/2025	MoD 44-2025
Veterans' Support Entitlements Obligation	10/03/2025	NZDF 2025-061
China and the Cook Islands Elevated Partnership: New Zealand's Response	11/03/2025	MFAT
Kiribati - Next Steps	11/03/2025	MFAT
Defence Weekly Report (6-12 March 2025)	13/03/2025	NZDF 2025-063 MoD 47-2025
Meeting Brief: Ukraine Leaders' Virtual Meeting	14/03/2025	MFAT
Aide Memoire: Garrison and Training Support Project - Single Stage Business Case - Phase Two	19/03/2025	MoD 56-2025
Defence Weekly Report (13-19 March 2025)	20/03/2025	NZDF 2025-067 MoD 52-2025
Response to Budget Bilateral Meeting	20/03/2025	NZDF 2025-070 MoD 57-2025
Meeting Brief: Sean Gourley	21/03/2025	NZDF
Homes for Families Programme: Commencement of Tranche One Delivery	21/03/2025	NZDF 2024-023

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Draft Media Release – Australian Minister of Defence Industry – New Zealand Defence Force P-8A Depot Level Maintenance	25/03/2025	NZDF 2025-073
Defence Weekly Report (20-26 March)	27/03/2025	NZDF 2025-071 MoD 60-2025
Information and Digital Readiness Assessment	27/03/2025	MoD 55-2025
Votes Defence and Defence Force - Follow Up From Defence Bilateral Meeting	30/03/2025	Treasury
New Zealand Defence Force Platform Interactions with the United Kingdom Carrier Strike Group 2025	31/03/2025	NZDF 2025-076 MoD 51-2025

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